



## ABSTRACT

### Improvements Relating To Allergen/Inflammatory Testing And Diagnosis

5 The invention relates to the use of a secretor variant cell-line expressing  
the alpha moiety of human IgE binding protein to determine the allergic  
status of a given individual. Moreover, the cell-line is also used to provide  
an assay system for determining the allergenicity of substances and for  
subsequently providing therapeutic compositions which render said  
substances ineffective. In addition, the invention also relates to the use of  
10 said cell-line to determine the IgE independent irritancy of substances and  
compositions effective for attenuating the effects of said substances.